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## Standard 5

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Students will demonstrate the ability to use decision-making skills to enhance health.

**Rationale:** Decision-making skills are needed to identify, implement, and sustain health-enhancing behaviors. This standard includes the essential steps that are needed to make healthy decisions as prescribed in the performance indicators. When applied to health issues, the decision-making process enables individuals to collaborate with others to improve their quality of life.

### Performance Indicators\*

#### Pre-K-Grade 2

- 5.2.1 Identify situations when a health-related decision is needed.
- 5.2.2 Differentiate between situations when a health-related decision can be made individually or when assistance is needed.

#### Grades 3-5

- 5.5.1 Identify health-related situations that might require a thoughtful decision.
- 5.5.2 Analyze when assistance is needed in making a health-related decision.
- 5.5.3 List healthy options to health-related issues or problems.
- 5.5.4 Predict the potential outcomes of each option when making a health-related decision.
- 5.5.5 Choose a healthy option when making a decision.
- 5.5.6 Describe the outcomes of a health-related decision.

#### Grades 6-8

- 5.8.1 Identify circumstances that can help or hinder healthy decision making.
- 5.8.2 Determine when health-related situations require the application of a thoughtful decision-making process.
- 5.8.3 Distinguish when individual or collaborative decision making is appropriate.
- 5.8.4 Distinguish between healthy and unhealthy alternatives to health-related issues or problems.
- 5.8.5 Predict the potential short-term impact of each alternative on self and others.
- 5.8.6 Choose healthy alternatives over unhealthy alternatives when making a decision.
- 5.8.7 Analyze the outcomes of a health-related decision.

#### Grades 9-12

- 5.12.1 Examine barriers that can hinder healthy decision making.

- 5.12.2 Determine the value of applying a thoughtful decision-making process in health-related situations.
- 5.12.3 Justify when individual or collaborative decision making is appropriate.
- 5.12.4 Generate alternatives to health-related issues or problems.
- 5.12.5 Predict the potential short-term and long-term impact of each alternative on self and others.
- 5.12.6 Defend the healthy choice when making decisions.
- 5.12.7 Evaluate the effectiveness of health-related decisions.

\* The performance indicators articulate specifically what students should *know or be able to do* in support of each standard by the conclusion of each of the following grade spans: Pre-K–Grade 2; Grade 3–Grade 5; Grade 6–Grade 8; and Grade 9–Grade 12. The performance indicators serve as a blueprint for organizing student assessment.

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